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CPD CONSUMER ADVISORY COUNCIL SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

May 11, 2009 by cpehrson

The CPD Consumer Advisory Council (CAC) is seeking new self-advocates to add to their current membership. The CAC is composed of individuals with disabilities, family members, state agency representatives, and staff liaisons who advise the CPD director about the Center's impact on systems change, advocacy, and capacity building. The CAC approves the CPD's annual goals and regularly reviews progress towards their accomplishment. We are especially in need of self-advocates from the Moab and Delta areas of the state.

Dr. Bryce Fifield, CPD Director, has this to say about the Consumer Advisory Council: "For over 35 years, the Center for Persons with Disabilities at Utah State University has touched the lives of thousands of people with disabilities and their families. Our services and programs have helped people receive state of the art services in every county of Utah. The Center has played a major role in the development of policies, guidelines, program regulations, and laws that affect people with disabilities.... We need your help! The input and perspective of people with disabilities is critical to our success. We cannot be effective without your help in setting priorities. Participating on the CPD's Consumer Advisory Council helps us and it helps you. You will meet new people, work with fellow advocates, and help us make a difference in every Utah community."

Anyone interested in finding out more about becoming a member of the CAC committee or who knows someone who would be interested, can contact Gordon Richins, CPD Consumer Liason, at (435) 797-2832.